

**Meeting Agenda
Governor's Drought Advisory Committee
Wednesday, September 17, 2008, 9:30 a.m.
DEQ Director's Conference Room 111**

- 9:30 Welcome and Introductions – Chairman Lt. Governor John Bohlinger**
- 9:35** Assessment by county – Montana Drought Status Map Update
Jess Aber, DNRC – Committee staff
- 9:37** National Weather Service – Climate summary, forecasts,
Dave Bernhardt, National Weather Service, Great Falls State Office
- 9:50** NRCS – Mountain precipitation, Surface Water Supply Index
Roy Kaiser, Snow, Water, and Climate Services, Bozeman
- 10:00** U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, reservoir storage contents
Tim Felchle Reservoir Operations, Montana Projects Office, Billings
- 10:10** Montana DNRC State Water Projects Bureau, reservoir storage
Matt Norberg, DNRC State Water Projects Bureau, Helena
- 10:20** U.S. Geological Survey - Montana streamflow update
Wayne Berkas, USGS, Montana Office, Helena
- 10:30** PPL Montana – Hebgen Dam Situation Review / Update
Lance Elias & Mark Lambrecht, PPL Dams / Hydropower
- 10:40 Break – 5 minutes**
- 10:45** Montana Agricultural Statistics Service – Crop progress / update,
Peggy Stringer, State Statistician, Helena
- 10:55** Northern Rockies Fire Coordination Center - Wildfire season summary
Ray Nelson, DNRC, Missoula
- 11:05** Montana Groundwater Information System – **State of the state's groundwater**
Tom Patton, Groundwater Hydrologist – State GW Network Manager
- 11:20 Congressional Reports - Sen. Baucus; Sen. Tester; Rep. Rehberg**
- 11:30 Discussion**
- 11:45 Adjourn**

***Next Meeting: Wednesday, October 15, 9:30 a.m., Room 102 Capitol Building.**

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